FLU VACCINATION ASSESSMENT

Because influenza (flu) vaccine is in short supply in 2004, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the California Department of Health Services (CDHS) recommend that people get vaccinated only if they are at high risk of getting very sick from the flu.

This clinic is following this recommendation to help protect those who need flu vaccine the most. To better serve our patients, please answer the following questions:

Is the person seeking flu vaccination	YES	NO
1. 6 to 23 months old?		
2. 65 years or older?		
3. Older than 6 months of age AND known to have a chronic medical condition (such as asthma, lung or heart disease, diabetes, kidney disease, blood disease or immunosuppression)?		
4. Pregnant now or going to be pregnant before April 2005?		
5. A resident of a nursing home or a long-term care facility?		
6. 6 months to 18 years old AND receiving long-term aspirin therapy?		
7. A health care worker involved in direct patient care?		
8. A caregiver or household contact for a child younger than 6 months old?		

If you answered "NO" to all of the questions above, please skip your flu vaccine this year so that high-risk priority individuals may be vaccinated.

Vaccine providers: Please be reminded that Vaccines for Children (VFC) supplied vaccine can only be used to vaccinate VFC-eligible children 18 years old and younger.

Patient Information (optional):		